HARRIS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR SESSION

October 19, 2010 7:00 P.M.

Commissioners Present: J. Harry Lange, Joey M. Loudermilk, Joe Manning, Charles Wyatt. Absent: Patrick Whearley. Staff Present: Daniel B. Bridges, County Manager; Jeff Todd, Acting County Attorney in the absence of John M. Taylor; Nancy D. McMichael, County Clerk.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER. Chairman Lange called the Regular Session to order.
- 2. MINUTES. The motion to approve the minutes of the October 5, 2010, Regular Session was made by Commissioner Loudermilk, seconded by Commissioner Wyatt, and passed unanimously. Later in the meeting, the Board revisited the minutes and a motion was made by Chairman Lange, seconded by Commissioner Manning, and passed unanimously to amend paragraph 6C of the October 5 minutes to reflect that the rezoning application of Greater Valley, LLC, was approved from A-1 to CORD with the condition that it only be used as a hunting preserve.

3. OLD BUSINESS

- A. <u>Second Reading: Outdoor Landscape Watering Ordinance</u>. Chairman Lange said that this was the second reading of this Ordinance, which was mandated by the State, and asked if anyone wished to speak in favor of or in opposition to this Ordinance. There being none, he made the motion to approve the Ordinance. Commissioner Loudermilk said that he seconded the motion only because it is mandated by the State that the County adopt such an Ordinance. The motion passed with three in favor (Lange, Loudermilk, Manning) and one opposed (Wyatt).
- B. Third Reading: Amendments to Animal Control Ordinance. Chairman Lange said that this was the third reading of the amendments to the Animal Control Ordinance. Discussion included that there should be higher fees in connection with the impoundment of potentially dangerous and dangerous dogs and that another reading should be held. Chairman Lange said that changes, as discussed, are to be made and that a fourth reading will be held during the November 2 meeting. Note: John Taylor, County Attorney, will advise the County Manager as to the amount of the fees that can be set.

4. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. <u>Financial Statement: August 2010</u>. The motion to approve the Financial Statement of August 2010 was made by Commissioner Wyatt, seconded by Chairman Lange, and passed unanimously.

5. **COUNTY MANAGER**

- A. <u>Development Authority Budget and Sign</u>. Danny Bridges, County Manager, reminded the Board that it must approve the budget of the Development Authority; that the budget presented is for \$17,297.50 with an additional not-to-exceed amount of \$10,000 for a sign for the Northwest Harris Business Park. The motion to approve the budget and the additional not-to-exceed amount of \$10,000 for the sign was made by Commissioner Wyatt, seconded by Commissioner Loudermilk, and passed unanimously.
- 6. **COUNTY ATTORNEY**. Jeff Todd, acting County Attorney in the absence of John Taylor, said that he had no business to discuss with the Board this evening.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS @ 7:30 PM

A. <u>Public Hearing Procedures</u>. Chairman Lange explained the procedures involved with the Public Hearings.

- B. <u>Conflict of Interest Forms</u>. The Conflict of Interest forms were completed at the request of Chairman Lange.
- C. Application of Twisted Pine, LLC, for a Special Use Permit for a Hunting Preserve on 388.09 acres of Map 001, Parcels 001 & 002B, Land District 5, Land Lots 226, 227, 232, 233, 278, 279, 281 & 282; present zoning CORD (Commercial Outdoor Recreation Development): properly located at 1900 Old West Point Road, West Point). Chairman Lange called the Public Hearing to order, read the specifics of the application, and said that the Zoning Staff had recommended approval. Bob Farner and Kyle Farner, representing Twisted Pine, appeared before the Board. Mr. Bob Farner said that they would like a Special Use Permit in order to run a hunting preserve on the property that includes a lodge for accommodations of hunters. There being no questions from the Board, Chairman Lange asked if anyone in attendance wished to speak in favor of or in opposition to this application. There being none, he closed the Public Hearing and asked for a motion. The motion to approve this Special Use Permit was made by Commissioner Loudermilk, seconded by Commissioner Wyatt, and passed unanimously.
- D. Application of John L. Woods, Jr., for Special Use Permit for Taxidermy Shop on 1 acre of Map 060, Parcel 023, Land District 21, Land Lot 61, present zoning C-4, property located at 9175 Highway 27, Hamilton. Chairman Lange called the Public Hearing to order, read the specifics of the application, and said that the Zoning Staff had recommended approval of the application. Commissioner Wyatt said that the applicant no longer lives at the subject property or in the State. Chairman Lange asked if anyone wished to speak in favor of or in opposition to this application. There being none, he closed the Public Hearing and asked for a motion. The motion to disapprove this Special Use Permit was made by Commissioner Wyatt, seconded by Commissioner Manning, and passed unanimously.

8.	<u>ADJOURNMENT</u> . There being no further busing adjourn was made by Commissioner Wyatt, Manning, and passed unanimously.		•	
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Nancy D. McMichael, County Clerk